

Open To The Light
ST Catherines
ANGELICAN CHURCH



Holy Eucharist
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 19, 2025

St. Catherine's Mission, Vision and Values

St. Catherine's Anglican Church, at the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations, is a contemporary community of Christian seekers.

We welcome you to join us in the journey. We provide a place of spiritual growth through Christ and we respond with gratitude for God's abundance in our lives through service to our brothers and sisters in the world.

Our **Vision** is to:

- Be an inclusive and thriving community of faith for all generations
- Continually invite others to join us in our journey of faith and Christian discipleship
- Honour the strengthening of relationships and development of community, both within our walls and outside them
- Minister to those in need in Christ's name

Our Values:

St Catherine's is a community that aspires to be:

Welcoming, Inclusive, Curious, Creative,
Sustainable, Caring and Humble

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As you enter the church, we invite you to light a votive candle to remember a person or situation that you carry on your heart. Candles are also available during communion.

GATHERING

Welcome & Intention: The. Rev. Sarah Lehman

Please stand, as you are able.

Deacon We acknowledge that we live, work, and worship on the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary lands of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations. We are grateful for and will advocate for Indigenous communities, we mourn those who were forcibly removed, and we grieve the legacies of colonialism. We seek to hold ourselves accountable to taking up the work of truth and reconciliation ever more meaningfully, day by day.

***All* May we be ministers of the reconciling love of the Risen Christ.**

Deacon The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

***All* And also with you.**

GLORIA (Peruvian Gloria)

Leader Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father!

All **Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father!**

Leader To Him be glory forever!

All **To Him be glory forever!**

Leader Alleluia, amen!

All **Alleluia, amen!**

Leader Alleluia, amen!

All **Alleluia, amen!**

Leader Alleluia, amen!

All **Alleluia, amen!**

Verse 2:...glory to Christ Jesus!

...To Him be glory forever!

Verse 3....glory to the Spirit!

...To Her be glory forever!

THE COLLECT

Deacon Let us pray.

All **Almighty and ever living God,
increase in us your gift of faith,
that forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to what is before,
we may run the way of your
commandments and win the crown of
everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN:

TELL OUT, MY SOUL (CP 362)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of His Word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name - the Lord, the mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and forevermore!

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:27-34

Reader A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new

covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:97-104

Led by Janet Benjamin

Leader Oh, how I love your law!
All the day long it is in my mind.

People **Your commandment has made me wiser
than my enemies,
and it is always with me.**

Leader I have more understanding than all my teachers,
for your decrees are my study.

People **I am wiser than the elders,
because I observe your commandments.**

Leader I restrain my feet from every evil way,
that I may keep your word.

People **I do not shrink from your judgements,
because you yourself have taught me.**

Leader How sweet are your words to my taste!
They are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

All **Through your commandments I gain
understanding; therefore I hate every
lying way.**

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-4:5

Reader A reading from the second letter to Timothy

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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GOSPEL HYMN: SEEK YE FIRST (CP 458)

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you,
Allelu, alleluia** *Refrain*

Refrain

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Allelu, alleluia

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 18:1-8

Please stand as you are able.

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL HYMN (continued)

**Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and you shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, alleluia**

**Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Allelu, alleluia**

HOMILY The Rev. Sharon Salomons

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Deacon Let us affirm our faith of our baptism,
as we say,

***All* I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy
Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION

Deacon Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Deacon Most merciful God,
All we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The community, standing at our seats, greet one another saying or gesturing: "Peace be with you".

COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE:

TAKE MY LIFE, AND LET IT BE (CP 435)

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in endless praise.

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine:
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,

Take my love: my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant Let us pray.
All **Eternal God, your word inspires our faith.
May we who offer you our praise
trust you in all things.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the
Lord. Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 4

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and
praise.**

Celebrant It is right to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord, our God,
sustainer of the universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be:
the vast expanse of interstellar space,
galaxies, suns, the planets in their
courses, and this fragile earth, our island
home; by your will they were created and
have their being.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant

From the primal elements
you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and
skill; you made us the stewards of
creation.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

But we turn against you, and betray your
trust; and we turn against one another.
Again and again you call us to return.
Through the prophets and sages
you reveal your righteous law.
In the fullness of time you sent your Son,
born of a woman, to be our Saviour.
He was wounded for our transgressions,
and bruised for our iniquities.
By his death he opened to us the way of
freedom and peace.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Therefore we praise you,
joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
and with those in every generation
who have looked to you in hope,
to proclaim with them your glory,
in their unending hymn:

All

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, Lord our God,
for sending us Jesus, the Christ,
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread, said the blessing,
broke the bread, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Take this, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup of wine;
he gave you thanks,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.

Celebrant

Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Gracious God,
we recall the death of your Son Jesus
Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and
ascension, and we look with expectation
for his coming as Lord of all the nations.
We who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the
Spirit,
now bring you these gifts.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this offering of your Church,

that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation.

Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised;

through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung*):

All

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All **God is here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God
People **Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Bread or Wafers), or in both kinds (Bread and Wine).

Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Please sanitize your hands before receiving.

Please do not instinct (dip) the Bread or Wafer in the cup.

While the Communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence.

Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

COMMUNION MUSIC:

YOUR HAND, O GOD, HAS GUIDED (CP 444)

Thy hand, O God, has guided
your flock, from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written,
full clear, on every page.
Our forebears owned your goodness
and we their deeds record,
and both of this bear witness;
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Your heralds brought glad tidings
to greatest as to least;
they bade them rise, and hasten
to share the royal feast;
and this was all their teaching,
in every deed and word,
to all alike proclaiming
one church, one faith, one Lord.

When shadows thickly falling,
engulfed the world in night,
thou, summoned forth your servants,
your messengers of light.
On them and on your people
your plenteous word was poured,
and this was still their message.
one church, one faith, one Lord.

And we, shall we be faithless,
shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the struggle
and cast away the crown?
Not so; in God's deep counsels
some better gift is stored:
the covenant of promise –
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us,
nor leave thy work undone;
with thy right hand to help us,
your people shall be one:
and then, by all creation,
thy name shall be adored,
and this shall be their anthem:
one church, one faith, one Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray
All **God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament
with the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have taken holy things
keep faith in our hearts and lives,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: A Churchwarden

Celebrant Glory to God,
All **whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or
imagine. Glory to God from generation to
generation, in the church and in Christ
Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING Rev Sharon Salomons

SENDING HYMN: BE THOU MY VISION (CP 505)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art --
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word.
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord:
Thou my great Father; thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



***Please join us after the service for coffee
at the back of the church.***

Thank you for ministering this morning:

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